Number of cases on the file of the First Class Magistrate's Court, Kottayam.

50. **MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Shertallai*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of cases on the file of the First Class Magistrate's Court, Kottayam, and the number of criminal appeal cases ; and

(*b*) the extent of jurisdiction of the said Magistrate's Court ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The number of cases on the file of the first Class Magistrate's Court, Kottayam, on the 21st Vrischikam 1108 was 380.

The number of appeal cases pending was 21.

(*b*) The jurisdiction of the Court extends over the taluks of Kottayam, Changanachery, Meenachil and Vaikom.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*): May I know the number of cases pending before the First Class Magistrate, before the re-adjustment of jurisdictions ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : That information has not been called for.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : What was the extent of jurisdiction before the beginning of 1107 ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I am not able to say.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : Did the jurisdiction extend to all the taluks mentioned in part (*b*) of the answer ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : With some slight changes. There was a Munsiff-Magistrate at Kanjirapalli who had jurisdiction over Changanachery.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : About Changanachery ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Changanachery had also a First Class Magistrate.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : Is the member aware of any cases pending before the District Magistrate's Court?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : No.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : Does the appellate jurisdiction of the First Class Magistrate's Court extend only over the taluks mentioned in part (*b*) of the answer ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : It includes Shertallai also.

Radio-receiving sets in the Observatory.

51. **MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there are two radio-receiving sets in the Observatory, Trivandrum ;

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